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NEW DOCTRINE OF THE DEMOCRACY.

At a recent meeting of the American Club, a social Democratic organization of this city, William V. McGrath, on being installed as President, gave his fellow-laborers in the Democratic ranks some wholesome advice. Instead of dwelling, as is the general custom of political orators, upon the principles of party, he directed attention to the necessity of nominating good men, and good men only, as candidates for office. Principles are good things, and it is to the credit of this nation that its great political struggles are made to hinge on comprehensive doctrines.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES. A communication from President Kane, of the Board of Public Charities, asking for an investigation by the Legislature of the differences between him and his associates on the board, has been presented to the Legislature, and we hope that it will receive proper consideration. There is a radical difference of opinion between General Kane and the other members of the board as to the proper method of executing the important and responsible duties entrusted to them, and unfortunately these differences have led to considerable harsh language, which should have been avoided if possible.

THE SCHEME concocted to rob the Kensington Bank last night is one of the most ingenious and audacious that ever entered into the brain of a professional burglar. We have heard of soldiers donning the uniforms of their antagonists to effect a surprise in war, but it is something new, in this latitude, at least, for robbers to gain entrance into a bank on the pretext that they are policemen detailed to guard it from spoliation.

JOHN CESSNA AND THE CHORPENNING CASE.

Mr. Cresswell, the Postmaster-General, has published an explanation, setting forth that his award in the Chorpenning case, by which an ex-mail contractor and his accomplices came near getting more than \$400,000 of money that was not justly due from the Government, was made solely in consequence of an act of Congress hastily rushed through at the heels of the last session. The authorship of that act is attributed to John Cessna, one of the Republican members of Congress from Pennsylvania, and we have looked in vain for an explanation of his motives in opening the door of the National Treasury to the Chorpenning raid.

THE SOLDIERS' ORPHANS.

The State Senate yesterday passed a bill to transfer the care of the schools for soldiers' orphans from a separate superintendency to that of the Common School Department. This change is advisable for many reasons, for the expediency of the arrangement now existing has been open to many grave doubts from the very institution of the schools for soldiers' orphans, and their management has given rise to such complaints that some action on the part of the Legislature is imperatively demanded. Mr. Brooke in advocating the bill yesterday stated that nearly a year ago the Superintendent of Soldiers' Orphans, Colonel McFarland, had been rejected by a very decided vote, for very satisfactory reasons, but that the Governor had failed to appoint his successor, and he had accordingly remained in an important and responsible position for which he was entirely unfitted.

NOTICES.

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of all the members of the board, this will be a very proper method of settling the quarrel between General Kane and his associates, and it should receive the attention it deserves from the Legislature.

SENATOR REYNOLDS.

General Joseph J. Reynolds Elected Senator from Texas—His Public Services—A Contest Over the Seat. The Legislature of Texas has seen fit to present the Senate of the Forty-second Congress with the novelty of a contested seat. The reconstruction of the State was fully completed in March, 1870, and immediately thereafter the Senators and Representatives elected were admitted to their seats. Hon. Morgan C. Hamilton was elected Senator for the term of six years commencing March 4, 1871, as well as for the remainder of the term ending on that day. It is now claimed by his opponents that his election for the long term was illegal, and in this opinion the Legislature of Texas appears to have coincided, by going through the process, on January 24, of electing another person for this term.

General Reynolds is a native of Kentucky, and is now about fifty years of age. In early life he removed to Indiana, and was appointed a cadet at the West Point Military Academy from that State in 1839. On July 1, 1843, he was brevetted a second lieutenant in the 4th Artillery, and in May, 1846, transferred to the 3d Artillery, being promoted in March, 1847, to a first lieutenancy. From August, 1846, to August, 1847, he acted as an assistant Professor of Ethics at the Military Academy; from 1847 to 1849, as Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy; and from the last date to February, 1857, as an assistant professor. He then resigned and retired from the military service.

He re-entered the service, however, on the outbreak of the war, and served throughout the struggle with distinction, at first as a brigadier-general, and subsequently as a major-general of volunteers. His principal service was with the Army of the Cumberland, in which he served as a division commander, taking a prominent part in the battle of Chickamauga. At the close of hostilities he re-entered the regular service, being commissioned colonel of the 26th Infantry on July 28, 1865, and brevetted a major-general on March 2, 1867. After holding a command in the Northwest General Reynolds was, on July 28, 1868, assigned to the command of the Fifth Military District, consisting of the State of Texas with his headquarters at Austin. He was relieved of this command on November 4th following, but again assigned to it as successor of General Canby, on March 5, 1869, immediately after the inauguration of President Grant. General Reynolds assumed his command on April 8th, and the reconstruction process proceeded quietly and successfully under his supervision, until it was completed by the restoration of Texas to representation in Congress in March, 1870. At the time of the election of Senators, General Reynolds was urged to follow the example of General Ames in Mississippi, and consent to represent the State in the Senate, but in February, 1870, declined the proffered honor, on the ground that his residence of three years in the State had been in the capacity of a military officer, and that his convictions of right and sense of propriety precluded the acceptance of any political office at that time and under the peculiar circumstances then existing. It is not yet known what course he will pursue, now that he has been actually elected a Senator, but it would seem that consistency demanded another refusal of the Senatorship.

—Letters received in Baltimore from Colonel Jerome Patton Bonaparte, eldest son of the late Jerome Bonaparte, of that city, said that on the 10th of December he was at Comberrie, about five miles from Paris, on the railroad to Versailles. The Baltimore American says a letter was received there last week representing that a Major Person, of Baltimore, connected with the Bonaparte family, was a prisoner of war at Brunswick, Germany.

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